

Palau
(Dollars in Thousands)

Palau	2012 Total*	5% Sequester	Revised Total
Estimate of Total Interior Funding	27,945	-12	27,933

** The 2012 Total does not include project specific funding for land acquisition, construction, and Bureau of Reclamation projects or competitive grant allocations.*

Interior funding in Palau totaled about \$28 million in 2012. A five percent sequester of Interior funding at this level would mean a loss of about \$12 thousand. This estimate will be updated once the sequestration order is issued and allocations are finalized. There could be further reductions in competitive grants, land acquisition and construction projects, and wildland fire expenditures that are not included in this estimate.

Within this total, major grants and direct payments to Palau would drop by about \$12 thousand.

Interior Grants and Payments	Estimate Total	Sequester	Revised Total
Historic Preservation Fund	239	-12	227
Total, Palau	239	-12	227

Note: The sequester is an across-the-board reduction that reduces every account and activity (with few exemptions). The result will be reduced levels of direct services provided to the American public. Cut backs in visitor hours and programs will impact tourism and travel and have ripple effects on communities and economies that are reliant on these activities. Reductions in permanent and seasonal staffing and reductions in contracts will impact surrounding communities where employees live and where supplies and services are acquired. Reductions in grants and payments will impact the abilities of States, Tribes and counties to sustain ongoing services in emergency response, education, and others. As these impacts are defined, we will provide details.